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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on June 9, 2004, please enter this response and consider the amended claims in the application for reasons discussed below. Although Applicant believes that no additional fees are due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/AVAN/000847 for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

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